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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION  
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In response to the Office Action dated 10/03/2006, kindly amend the above-identified application as indicated in the following pages presented in the revised format effective January 31, 2003. No fee for additional claims is required.

Respectfully,

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